

## Testimony for Senate Education Hearing Stop Common Core in Michigan

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Age 7 2nd

Hi! My name is Cody Prested.  
I'm in 2nd grade at Botsford Elementary School in Livonia.  
My favorite color is red.  
I'm here to tell you about my friends and myself.  
School is different for all of us.  
Everybody is not the same.  
We all learn in different ways.  
My friends and I work hard and try our best in school.  
Some things come easy to me, but are hard for my friends.  
I'm a little nervous for the test at the end of the year.  
I'm worried because I might get the answers wrong.  
I might not know the answer or forget what I learned.  
If I don't get a lot of right answers, I'm afraid I will not pass the test.  
In the middle of the school year I took the NWEA test for the second time in 2nd grade.  
When I took the test I was very frustrated not knowing if I answered the questions correct.  
It even asked me questions I have not learned in school yet.  
That scared me because I didn't know if I was going to pass the test.  
I'M IN 2ND GRADE!  
I'M 7 YEARS OLD!  
These are feelings I should not have in school!  
I'm asking you to please support to repeal and replace common core.  
My teachers and parents should have a say in my education.  
My voice is little, but I'm the future!  
Thank you for listening to me!